

# Saskatchewan Statistics

## LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for March 2006 was 5.3 percent, according to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for the week ended March 18, 2006. This is unchanged from February 2006 and 0.2 percentage points higher than the March 2005 rate of 5.1 percent. The Canada seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for March 2006 was 6.3 percent. This is 0.1 percentage points lower than February 2006 and 0.6 percentage points lower than the March 2005 level of 6.9 percent.

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 483,200 persons employed in Saskatchewan in March 2006, up 1,000 from the February 2006 level of 482,200 but is down 5,600 from the March 2005 employment level of 488,800 persons.

### UNADJUSTED DATA

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for March 2006 was 5.6 percent. This is a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from the February 2006 rate of 5.8 percent but 0.1 percentage points higher than the March 2005 level of 5.5 percent. Canada's unemployment rate was 6.7 percent in March 2006, unchanged from February 2006. In March 2005, Canada's unemployment rate was 7.4 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force increased by 1,400 to 502,300 persons in March 2006 from 500,900 persons in February 2006. This is 5,200 less than the March 2005 labour force of 507,500 persons. The Saskatchewan participation rate rose 0.2 percentage points to 67.2 percent in March 2006 from 67.0 percent in February 2006. The March 2005 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 67.8 percent.

There were 474,400 persons employed in Saskatchewan during March 2006, an increase of 2,500 from February 2006 but 5,200 less than the number employed in March 2005. Agricultural employment was 45,600 persons in March 2006, up 1,600 from the February 2006 level.

There were 28,000 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during March 2006. This is a decrease of 1,000 from February 2006 and unchanged from the number unemployed in March 2005.

The attached tables provide additional details on labour force activity for Saskatchewan and Canada during the months of March 2006, February 2006 and March 2005.

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TABLE 1

LABOUR FORCE

|  | <u>March</u><br><u>2006</u> | <u>February</u><br><u>2006</u> | <u>March</u><br><u>2005</u> |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <u>SASKATCHEWAN</u>                          |                             |                                |                             |
| Labour Force                                 | 502,300                     | 500,900                        | 507,500                     |
| Employed                                     | 474,400                     | 471,900                        | 479,600                     |
| <i>Full-Time</i>                             | 377,700                     | 372,000                        | 379,800                     |
| <i>Part-Time</i>                             | 96,600                      | 99,900                         | 99,800                      |
| Unemployed                                   | 28,000                      | 29,000                         | 28,000                      |
| Unemployment Rate (%)                        | 5.6                         | 5.8                            | 5.5                         |
| Unemployment Rate (%)<br>Seasonally Adjusted | 5.3                         | 5.3                            | 5.1                         |
| Participation Rate (%)                       | 67.2                        | 67.0                           | 67.8                        |
| <u>CANADA</u>                                |                             |                                |                             |
| Labour Force                                 | 17,270,200                  | 17,200,600                     | 17,035,400                  |
| Employed                                     | 16,106,700                  | 16,041,700                     | 15,779,800                  |
| <i>Full-Time</i>                             | 12,971,800                  | 12,883,200                     | 12,679,300                  |
| <i>Part-Time</i>                             | 3,135,000                   | 3,158,500                      | 3,100,500                   |
| Unemployed                                   | 1,163,400                   | 1,158,900                      | 1,255,600                   |
| Unemployment Rate (%)                        | 6.7                         | 6.7                            | 7.4                         |
| Unemployment Rate (%)<br>Seasonally Adjusted | 6.3                         | 6.4                            | 6.9                         |
| Participation Rate (%)                       | 66.2                        | 66.0                           | 66.3                        |

TABLE 2

DETAILED SASKATCHEWAN UNADJUSTED SERIES

| <u>Labour Force ('000)</u>    | <u>Total</u> | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> | <u>15-24</u> | <u>25+</u> | <u>15-19</u> | <u>20-24</u> | <u>25-44</u> | <u>45-64</u> | <u>65+</u> |
|-------------------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| March 2006                    | 502.3        | 268.4       | 233.9         | 89.7         | 412.6      | 37.6         | 52.1         | 212.0        | 183.2        | 17.4       |
| February 2006                 | 500.9        | 267.2       | 233.7         | 87.4         | 413.6      | 36.3         | 51.1         | 210.3        | 185.4        | 17.8       |
| March 2005                    | 507.5        | 271.8       | 235.8         | 90.2         | 417.4      | 37.6         | 52.6         | 216.1        | 184.5        | 16.8       |
| <u>Employed ('000)</u>        |              |             |               |              |            |              |              |              |              |            |
| March 2006                    | 474.4        | 251.7       | 222.7         | 79.2         | 395.2      | 31.9         | 47.2         | 201.8        | 176.2        | 17.2       |
| February 2006                 | 471.9        | 250.7       | 221.3         | 78.3         | 393.6      | 31.4         | 46.9         | 199.3        | 176.9        | 17.4       |
| March 2005                    | 479.6        | 253.1       | 226.5         | 80.7         | 398.9      | 32.9         | 47.8         | 206.5        | 176.2        | 16.2       |
| <u>Unemployed ('000)</u>      |              |             |               |              |            |              |              |              |              |            |
| March 2006                    | 28.0         | 16.8        | 11.2          | 10.6         | 17.4       | 5.7          | 4.9          | 10.2         | 7.1          | 0.0        |
| February 2006                 | 29.0         | 16.5        | 12.5          | 9.1          | 19.9       | 4.9          | 4.2          | 11.0         | 8.5          | 0.0        |
| March 2005                    | 28.0         | 18.7        | 9.3           | 9.5          | 18.5       | 4.7          | 4.7          | 9.6          | 8.3          | 0.6        |
| <u>Unemployment Rate (%)</u>  |              |             |               |              |            |              |              |              |              |            |
| March 2006                    | 5.6          | 6.3         | 4.8           | 11.8         | 4.2        | 15.2         | 9.4          | 4.8          | 3.9          | 0.0        |
| February 2006                 | 5.8          | 6.2         | 5.3           | 10.4         | 4.8        | 13.5         | 8.2          | 5.2          | 4.6          | 0.0        |
| March 2005                    | 5.5          | 6.9         | 3.9           | 10.5         | 4.4        | 12.5         | 8.9          | 4.4          | 4.5          | 3.6        |
| <u>Participation Rate (%)</u> |              |             |               |              |            |              |              |              |              |            |
| March 2006                    | 67.2         | 72.9        | 61.8          | 65.0         | 67.8       | 55.1         | 74.5         | 89.0         | 77.3         | 13.0       |
| February 2006                 | 67.0         | 72.5        | 61.7          | 63.2         | 67.9       | 53.1         | 73.1         | 88.1         | 78.3         | 13.3       |
| March 2005                    | 67.8         | 73.7        | 62.2          | 64.8         | 68.5       | 54.3         | 75.1         | 88.9         | 79.6         | 12.5       |

Figures set to 0 (zero) if under 500 persons.

TABLE 3

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR MARKET - UNADJUSTED SERIES

| <u>2004</u>          | <u>Jan</u> | <u>Feb</u> | <u>Mar</u> | <u>Apr</u> | <u>May</u> | <u>June</u> | <u>July</u> | <u>Aug</u> | <u>Sept</u> | <u>Oct</u> | <u>Nov</u> | <u>Dec</u> | <u>Annual<br/>Average</u> |
|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|
| *Labour Force        | 494.3      | 495.4      | 497.7      | 501.8      | 511.5      | 515.0       | 516.8       | 517.7      | 508.1       | 507.2      | 508.2      | 507.3      | 506.7                     |
| *Employment          | 463.2      | 464.8      | 465.2      | 472.6      | 486.8      | 492.4       | 489.0       | 489.3      | 482.8       | 485.5      | 483.9      | 480.9      | 479.7                     |
| *Full-Time           | 370.3      | 370.0      | 368.7      | 377.4      | 397.7      | 399.5       | 402.5       | 405.0      | 387.3       | 388.6      | 385.8      | 380.7      | 386.1                     |
| *Part-Time           | 92.9       | 94.8       | 96.5       | 95.1       | 89.1       | 92.9        | 86.5        | 84.3       | 95.5        | 96.8       | 98.1       | 100.2      | 93.6                      |
| *Unemployment        | 31.1       | 30.6       | 32.5       | 29.3       | 24.7       | 22.6        | 27.8        | 28.4       | 25.3        | 21.7       | 24.3       | 26.4       | 27.0                      |
| **Unemployment Rate  | 6.3        | 6.2        | 6.5        | 5.8        | 4.8        | 4.4         | 5.4         | 5.5        | 5.0         | 4.3        | 4.8        | 5.2        | 5.3                       |
| **Participation Rate | 66.4       | 66.5       | 66.8       | 67.3       | 68.6       | 69.0        | 69.3        | 69.4       | 68.1        | 67.9       | 68.1       | 67.9       | 67.9                      |
| <u>2005</u>          |            |            |            |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| *Labour Force        | 501.6      | 503.8      | 507.5      | 504.0      | 517.4      | 519.7       | 522.7       | 522.0      | 508.4       | 503.4      | 503.3      | 499.1      | 509.4                     |
| *Employment          | 473.4      | 476.3      | 479.6      | 476.3      | 495.0      | 498.0       | 497.3       | 492.3      | 480.2       | 479.9      | 479.1      | 474.5      | 483.5                     |
| *Full-Time           | 374.1      | 375.8      | 379.8      | 384.4      | 402.1      | 405.7       | 412.7       | 411.5      | 386.5       | 381.2      | 382.3      | 380.5      | 389.7                     |
| *Part-Time           | 99.4       | 100.5      | 99.8       | 91.9       | 92.9       | 92.3        | 84.6        | 80.8       | 93.7        | 98.6       | 96.8       | 93.9       | 93.8                      |
| *Unemployment        | 28.1       | 27.5       | 28.0       | 27.7       | 22.5       | 21.6        | 25.4        | 29.7       | 28.2        | 23.5       | 24.2       | 24.6       | 25.9                      |
| **Unemployment Rate  | 5.6        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 4.3        | 4.2         | 4.9         | 5.7        | 5.5         | 4.7        | 4.8        | 4.9        | 5.1                       |
| **Participation Rate | 67.1       | 67.4       | 67.8       | 67.3       | 69.1       | 69.4        | 69.8        | 69.7       | 67.9        | 67.2       | 67.2       | 66.7       | 68.1                      |
| <u>2006</u>          |            |            |            |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| *Labour Force        | 500.1      | 500.9      | 502.3      |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| *Employment          | 470.8      | 471.9      | 474.4      |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| *Full-Time           | 374.8      | 372.0      | 377.7      |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| *Part-Time           | 96.0       | 99.9       | 96.6       |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| *Unemployment        | 29.3       | 29.0       | 28.0       |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| **Unemployment Rate  | 5.9        | 5.8        | 5.6        |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| **Participation Rate | 66.9       | 67.0       | 67.2       |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |

\* thousands

\*\* percent

TABLE 4

**EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE BY INDUSTRY**  
**SASKATCHEWAN 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006**  
(Thousands)

| <u>2003</u>                                | <u>Jan</u> | <u>Feb</u> | <u>Mar</u> | <u>Apr</u> | <u>May</u> | <u>June</u> | <u>July</u> | <u>Aug</u> | <u>Sept</u> | <u>Oct</u> | <u>Nov</u> | <u>Dec</u> | <u>Annual<br/>Average</u> |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Agriculture                                | 45.4       | 43.9       | 43.6       | 45.9       | 51.1       | 50.7        | 48.3        | 48.5       | 44.8        | 46.9       | 45.0       | 44.9       | 46.6                      |
| Manufacturing                              | 26.8       | 27.1       | 27.4       | 26.0       | 27.8       | 27.1        | 27.6        | 27.3       | 26.8        | 26.9       | 27.2       | 27.1       | 27.1                      |
| Construction                               | 21.3       | 21.7       | 21.6       | 21.9       | 23.0       | 24.9        | 25.9        | 26.0       | 26.3        | 24.0       | 22.5       | 20.8       | 23.3                      |
| Transp, Warehousing<br>& Other Utilities   | 25.6       | 25.8       | 25.7       | 26.8       | 27.1       | 25.9        | 27.1        | 26.8       | 25.9        | 25.7       | 25.6       | 26.7       | 26.2                      |
| Trade                                      | 75.2       | 73.2       | 75.2       | 76.9       | 77.2       | 78.6        | 79.6        | 80.6       | 77.5        | 77.9       | 78.8       | 79.6       | 77.5                      |
| Finance, Insurance,<br>Real Estate & Leas. | 27.4       | 27.7       | 28.2       | 28.8       | 29.7       | 28.9        | 29.4        | 28.6       | 27.2        | 27.4       | 27.2       | 26.9       | 28.1                      |
| Services                                   | 201.0      | 203.5      | 203.5      | 202.0      | 207.1      | 209.8       | 206.1       | 203.0      | 204.4       | 203.2      | 201.6      | 201.2      | 203.9                     |
| Public Admin.                              | 24.3       | 24.8       | 24.3       | 24.2       | 25.7       | 28.2        | 27.9        | 30.1       | 26.5        | 26.9       | 26.6       | 25.6       | 26.2                      |
| Other Primary Ind.                         | 16.4       | 16.9       | 17.4       | 15.0       | 15.4       | 17.2        | 18.0        | 17.8       | 17.5        | 17.4       | 17.7       | 18.4       | 17.1                      |
| Total All Industries                       | 463.3      | 464.6      | 466.8      | 467.5      | 484.4      | 491.3       | 490.0       | 488.6      | 476.9       | 476.3      | 472.2      | 471.2      | 476.1                     |

  

| <u>2004</u>                                | <u>Jan</u> | <u>Feb</u> | <u>Mar</u> | <u>Apr</u> | <u>May</u> | <u>June</u> | <u>July</u> | <u>Aug</u> | <u>Sept</u> | <u>Oct</u> | <u>Nov</u> | <u>Dec</u> | <u>Annual<br/>Average</u> |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Agriculture                                | 44.9       | 44.2       | 46.2       | 46.5       | 49.3       | 47.1        | 48.6        | 48.0       | 47.1        | 47.1       | 46.6       | 44.8       | 46.7                      |
| Manufacturing                              | 27.2       | 26.9       | 27.4       | 28.3       | 28.5       | 31.1        | 30.3        | 30.6       | 29.1        | 28.4       | 28.4       | 29.0       | 28.8                      |
| Construction                               | 19.2       | 19.2       | 19.4       | 20.5       | 23.8       | 25.5        | 27.8        | 28.1       | 26.3        | 28.2       | 25.9       | 24.6       | 24.0                      |
| Transp, Warehousing<br>& Other Utilities   | 25.9       | 25.8       | 25.5       | 26.8       | 28.5       | 29.1        | 27.9        | 27.8       | 29.0        | 27.9       | 28.7       | 28.1       | 27.6                      |
| Trade                                      | 75.3       | 74.6       | 74.0       | 75.7       | 77.6       | 76.7        | 78.8        | 78.7       | 77.5        | 77.4       | 77.9       | 76.6       | 76.8                      |
| Finance, Insurance,<br>Real Estate & Leas. | 25.8       | 26.6       | 26.9       | 27.8       | 27.2       | 28.0        | 26.5        | 27.5       | 27.3        | 25.5       | 25.9       | 25.6       | 26.7                      |
| Services                                   | 201.2      | 203.0      | 202.2      | 204.4      | 208.0      | 209.9       | 202.4       | 201.6      | 201.2       | 206.0      | 205.8      | 207.2      | 204.4                     |
| Public Admin.                              | 25.3       | 25.2       | 24.1       | 24.2       | 25.3       | 26.3        | 26.4        | 27.7       | 26.5        | 26.1       | 26.5       | 26.0       | 25.8                      |
| Other Primary Ind.                         | 18.5       | 19.3       | 19.4       | 18.3       | 18.6       | 18.8        | 20.6        | 19.3       | 18.8        | 18.8       | 18.3       | 18.9       | 19.0                      |
| Total All Industries                       | 463.2      | 464.8      | 465.2      | 472.6      | 486.8      | 492.4       | 489.0       | 489.3      | 482.8       | 485.5      | 483.9      | 480.9      | 479.7                     |

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TABLE 4 (Continued)

**EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE BY INDUSTRY**  
**SASKATCHEWAN 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006**  
(Thousands)

| <u>2005</u>                                | <u>Jan</u> | <u>Feb</u> | <u>Mar</u> | <u>Apr</u> | <u>May</u> | <u>June</u> | <u>July</u> | <u>Aug</u> | <u>Sept</u> | <u>Oct</u> | <u>Nov</u> | <u>Dec</u> | <u>Annual<br/>Average</u> |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Agriculture                                | 44.0       | 43.9       | 45.1       | 44.5       | 49.1       | 49.2        | 50.9        | 49.9       | 47.7        | 48.2       | 44.5       | 42.1       | 46.6                      |
| Manufacturing                              | 28.1       | 28.0       | 28.5       | 29.8       | 30.4       | 32.9        | 33.0        | 33.4       | 29.8        | 29.8       | 29.9       | 29.6       | 30.3                      |
| Construction                               | 21.4       | 20.9       | 21.5       | 22.9       | 26.9       | 30.1        | 30.7        | 29.2       | 28.7        | 28.9       | 28.9       | 26.0       | 26.3                      |
| Transp, Warehousing<br>& Other Utilities   | 28.0       | 28.7       | 28.0       | 27.4       | 28.9       | 30.0        | 29.1        | 30.7       | 31.7        | 28.9       | 31.1       | 31.1       | 29.5                      |
| Trade                                      | 79.6       | 80.2       | 79.6       | 81.7       | 82.0       | 79.6        | 80.5        | 79.6       | 74.4        | 74.1       | 74.6       | 74.2       | 78.3                      |
| Finance, Insurance,<br>Real Estate & Leas. | 24.3       | 25.7       | 26.3       | 24.6       | 25.9       | 26.6        | 25.7        | 27.8       | 26.3        | 25.1       | 24.9       | 25.6       | 25.7                      |
| Services                                   | 203.6      | 204.0      | 206.2      | 203.1      | 206.8      | 204.2       | 199.6       | 192.0      | 195.7       | 199.1      | 198.0      | 198.1      | 200.9                     |
| Public Admin.                              | 25.4       | 25.7       | 26.8       | 26.3       | 27.3       | 26.7        | 30.3        | 29.9       | 26.8        | 27.0       | 27.4       | 27.1       | 27.2                      |
| Other Primary Ind.                         | 19.0       | 19.2       | 17.7       | 16.0       | 17.6       | 18.7        | 17.6        | 19.7       | 19.0        | 18.8       | 19.8       | 20.6       | 18.6                      |
| Total All Industries                       | 473.4      | 476.3      | 479.6      | 476.3      | 495.0      | 498.0       | 497.3       | 492.3      | 480.2       | 479.9      | 479.1      | 474.5      | 483.5                     |
| <u>2006</u>                                | <u>Jan</u> | <u>Feb</u> | <u>Mar</u> | <u>Apr</u> | <u>May</u> | <u>June</u> | <u>July</u> | <u>Aug</u> | <u>Sept</u> | <u>Oct</u> | <u>Nov</u> | <u>Dec</u> | <u>Annual<br/>Average</u> |
| Agriculture                                | 44.2       | 44.0       | 45.6       |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| Manufacturing                              | 28.9       | 30.2       | 29.7       |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| Construction                               | 24.9       | 25.3       | 25.7       |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| Transp, Warehousing<br>& Other Utilities   | 28.5       | 30.6       | 30.8       |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| Trade                                      | 72.9       | 76.1       | 76.0       |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| Finance, Insurance,<br>Real Estate & Leas. | 26.6       | 25.4       | 25.8       |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| Services                                   | 196.5      | 191.9      | 192.9      |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| Public Admin.                              | 27.2       | 27.0       | 26.9       |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| Other Primary Ind.                         | 21.2       | 21.3       | 21.1       |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |
| Total All Industries                       | 470.8      | 471.9      | 474.4      |            |            |             |             |            |             |            |            |            |                           |

Figures may not add to total due to rounding.

TABLE 5

**PERCENTAGE UNEMPLOYED**  
**CANADA AND PROVINCES 2005, 2006**  
**(UNADJUSTED SERIES)**

| <u>2005</u>   | <u>Jan</u> | <u>Feb</u> | <u>Mar</u> | <u>Apr</u> | <u>May</u> | <u>June</u> | <u>July</u> | <u>Aug</u> | <u>Sept</u> | <u>Oct</u> | <u>Nov</u> | <u>Dec</u> | <u>Annual<br/>Average</u> |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Canada        | 7.5        | 7.5        | 7.4        | 7.0        | 7.0        | 6.3         | 6.9         | 7.1        | 6.2         | 6.1        | 6.0        | 6.1        | 6.8                       |
| Nfld. & Lab.  | 16.5       | 17.2       | 16.9       | 18.8       | 16.7       | 12.5        | 12.1        | 15.2       | 13.2        | 13.9       | 14.7       | 15.8       | 15.2                      |
| P.E.I.        | 14.1       | 13.0       | 13.0       | 15.0       | 9.5        | 7.8         | 9.1         | 8.7        | 8.3         | 9.1        | 10.6       | 12.1       | 10.8                      |
| Nova Scotia   | 9.9        | 10.7       | 9.8        | 9.2        | 7.8        | 7.7         | 7.7         | 7.0        | 7.8         | 7.7        | 8.1        | 8.0        | 8.4                       |
| New Brunswick | 11.2       | 10.6       | 10.6       | 11.2       | 9.6        | 9.0         | 9.3         | 9.2        | 8.5         | 9.7        | 8.6        | 9.1        | 9.7                       |
| Quebec        | 9.5        | 9.0        | 8.9        | 8.5        | 8.5        | 7.4         | 7.9         | 8.3        | 7.6         | 7.7        | 7.9        | 8.3        | 8.3                       |
| Ontario       | 6.7        | 7.0        | 7.3        | 6.6        | 7.2        | 6.6         | 7.3         | 7.4        | 6.1         | 5.9        | 5.5        | 5.6        | 6.6                       |
| Manitoba      | 5.6        | 5.4        | 5.5        | 5.1        | 4.7        | 4.3         | 4.7         | 5.4        | 4.4         | 4.1        | 3.8        | 4.2        | 4.8                       |
| Saskatchewan  | 5.6        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 4.3        | 4.2         | 4.9         | 5.7        | 5.5         | 4.7        | 4.8        | 4.9        | 5.1                       |
| Alberta       | 4.8        | 4.2        | 3.5        | 4.2        | 3.6        | 3.4         | 3.7         | 4.2        | 3.7         | 3.8        | 4.0        | 4.0        | 3.9                       |
| B.C.          | 7.2        | 7.6        | 6.7        | 6.2        | 6.0        | 5.5         | 6.3         | 6.3        | 5.1         | 4.6        | 4.5        | 4.4        | 5.9                       |

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TABLE 6

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR CANADIAN CITIES

|            | <u>March<br/>2006</u> | <u>February<br/>2006</u> | <u>March<br/>2005</u> |
|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| St. John's | 8.1                   | 8.9                      | 7.9                   |
| Halifax    | 5.5                   | 5.6                      | 6.2                   |
| Saint John | 7.1                   | 6.9                      | 7.2                   |
| Quebec     | 6.2                   | 7.4                      | 6.5                   |
| Montreal   | 9.6                   | 9.3                      | 8.6                   |
| Ottawa     | 4.9                   | 4.2                      | 7.5                   |
| Toronto    | 6.4                   | 6.5                      | 7.5                   |
| Sudbury    | 8.0                   | 8.1                      | 7.3                   |
| Winnipeg   | 5.0                   | 4.8                      | 5.5                   |
| Regina     | 5.3                   | 5.3                      | 4.3                   |
| Saskatoon  | 5.6                   | 5.2                      | 5.5                   |
| Calgary    | 2.8                   | 3.1                      | 3.6                   |
| Edmonton   | 4.0                   | 3.7                      | 4.0                   |
| Vancouver  | 4.0                   | 4.9                      | 6.2                   |
| Victoria   | 3.4                   | 3.6                      | 4.6                   |



TABLE 7

**SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS BY ABORIGINAL IDENTITY**  
**FOR POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER**  
(3-month moving averages)

| <b><u>Total Population</u></b>      | <b><u>Labour Force</u></b><br><b><u>('000)</u></b> | <b><u>Employed</u></b><br><b><u>('000)</u></b> | <b><u>Unemployed</u></b><br><b><u>('000)</u></b> | <b><u>Unemployment</u></b><br><b><u>Rate (%)</u></b> | <b><u>Participation</u></b><br><b><u>Rate (%)</u></b> | <b><u>Employment</u></b><br><b><u>Rate (%)</u></b> |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| March 2006                          | 500.0  | 470.6  | 29.4   | 5.9  | 66.9  | 63.0   |
| February 2006                       | 499.4  | 471.4  | 27.9   | 5.6  | 66.8  | 63.0   |
| March 2005                          | 503.9  | 475.7  | 28.2   | 5.6  | 67.4  | 63.6   |
| <b><u>Non-Aboriginal</u></b>        |  |  |  |  |   |  |
| March 2006                          | 462.6  | 440.2  | 22.4   | 4.8  | 67.1  | 63.9   |
| February 2006                       | 462.7  | 441.0  | 21.7   | 4.7  | 67.1  | 63.9   |
| March 2005                          | 470.2  | 447.4  | 22.8   | 4.8  | 68.0  | 64.7   |
| <b><u>Aboriginal</u></b>            |  |  |  |  |   |  |
| March 2006                          | 37.4   | 30.4   | 7.0  | 18.8   | 64.3  | 52.2   |
| February 2006                       | 36.7   | 30.4   | 6.2  | 17.0   | 63.2  | 52.5   |
| March 2005                          | 33.7   | 28.3   | 5.4  | 16.1   | 59.4  | 49.9   |
| <b><u>North American Indian</u></b> |  |  |  |  |   |  |
| March 2006                          | 14.7   | 10.6   | 4.2  | 28.2   | 55.7  | 40.0   |
| February 2006                       | 14.4   | 10.5   | 3.9  | 27.2   | 54.6  | 39.7   |
| March 2005                          | 12.7   | 10.2   | 2.4  | 19.2   | 49.0  | 39.6   |
| <b><u>Métis</u></b>                 |  |  |  |  |   |  |
| March 2006                          | 22.6   | 19.8   | 2.9  | 12.6   | 71.5  | 62.5   |
| February 2006                       | 22.3   | 19.9   | 2.3  | 10.4   | 70.5  | 63.2   |
| March 2005                          | 21.0   | 18.0   | 3.0  | 14.1   | 68.0  | 58.5   |

## Notes:

1. The Labour Force Survey collects data on the Saskatchewan civilian, non-institutional, off-reserve population. Beginning in April 2004, questions were added to the survey allowing for the self-identification of Aboriginal identity for Saskatchewan respondents.
2. The North American Indian and Métis categories are single responses only. 'Other' is omitted due to insufficient responses.
3. All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for June are an average of the three months ending in June (April, May and June).
4. Caution should be used when interpreting results. Small sample sizes can result in large standard errors.

